



COLUMBIA EMPIRE VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

Open Power League Workgroup Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 24, 2025 – 6:00 PM via Zoom

Members Present

Michael Brown, Shyanna Davis, Adam Ellis, Autumn Hilberg, Brandi Maurer, Brian Wodke.

Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Cara Freeman

Staff Present

Cody March

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM by Cody March
- Quorum is present at roll call.

Current Registrations

- Cody shared updates on current registrations – 60 teams have registered for Open PLQ as of this meeting.
- There are four clubs who registered teams in Open last year that haven't registered this year – we may be closer to 70 teams when registration closes.

Open PLQ Formatting & Contingencies

- Michael shared that he has previously worked on formatting options for more than 64 teams.
 - **Action Item:** Michael will share via e-mail a formatting option for 68 teams.
- Cody shared that we could get 18-20 courts in the Expo Center for this event and we are confident that everybody can be under one roof.

Seeding Meeting Logistics

- The group discussed logistics for next Wednesday's seeding meeting.
- The office will be communicating with all clubs who provided no information during their registration and giving them an opportunity to do so.
 - Brandi shared that she has an example of notes she created for her club and is willing to share that with Cody to include in communications.
 - **Action Item:** Cody will be sending these communications before the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday.
- The committee was reminded that all teams will be assigned a seed number during the meeting.
- The committee discussed how to make the meeting as efficient as possible, and research that could happen prior to the meeting to help expedite discussions.

Open PLQ Locations For 2026

- The concept of rotating Open PLQ locations in future years has been discussed by both the Open workgroup and the Junior Girls' Committee.
- Cody shared a timeline with the group about upcoming votes to be taken by the JGC and the CEVA Board of Directors.
- The goal is to formally announce the plan by the end of December 2025, so clubs have a year to plan – assuming votes pass and no other major concerns are presented. If other concerns come up, those will be addressed as necessary.

Other Discussion Topics

- Registration numbers and future growth of Open – the committee discussed policies that may help contain the number of teams registering in Open.
- Bid Tournament – with Open numbers growing, there may need to be concurrent discussion about the size of the Bid Tournaments (in conjunction with the Junior Girls' Committee).

Next Meetings

- Wednesday, December 3, 2025 – 6:45 PM via Zoom (Seeding)
- Monday, January 12, 2026 – 6:00 PM via Zoom

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 6:39 PM.